



March 4, 2014

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554  
Attn: Wireline Competition Bureau

VIA ECFS

Re: WC Docket No. 10-90 Rural Broadband Experiment Expression of Interest for Price Cap Areas -- *PLANT TELENET, INC.*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

*PLANT TELENET, INC.* hereby expresses interest in participating in the Commission's rural broadband experiments to provide robust, scalable high-speed broadband to unserved high-cost areas with additional Connect America funding.<sup>1</sup> *PLANT TELENET, INC.* is a CLEC serving rural areas of GEORGIA, and proposes deployment as follows.

Proposed Service Area

*TIFT COUNTY, STATE OF GEORGIA. The experiment will provide broadband service to 308 eligible high-cost locations in unserved high-cost Census Blocks with this Census Tract - 13277960100*

Proposed Services

Voice and Broadband services with broadband transmission speeds of 12 Mbps. downstream /1.5 Mbps. upstream provided over fiber to the home technology.

Funding

*PLANT TELENET, INC.* estimates construction costs to be a total of \$1,141,074 based on knowledge of the area. The costs will be refined if and when a formal proposal is submitted. *PLANT TELENET, INC.* requests \$1,141,074 in funding from Connect America Funds in a one-time funding and will fund the remaining capital and ongoing expenses to operate the system.

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<sup>1</sup> See *Technology Transitions et al.*, GN Docket No. 13-5 et al., Order, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Report and Order, Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Proposal for Ongoing Data Initiative, FCC 14-5 (rel. Jan. 31, 2014).

PLANT TELENET, INC. expects service within the unserved high-cost Census Blocks to be offered within one year after construction starts.

*PLANT TELENET, INC.* appreciates the opportunity to provide this non-binding expression of interest. Please contact the undersigned with any questions.

Sincerely,

PLANT TELENET, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Danny E. Sterling". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Danny E. Sterling  
President and General Manager